

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**In RE: Application of Hans-Georg MUSMANN, et al**

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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks,  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated May 14, 2004, please continue examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 and make the following changes and consider the following REMARKS: